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To authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign recipients.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. LUGAR (for himself and Mr. BIDEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Naval Vessels Transfer
5 Act of 2005”.

6 **SEC. 2. TRANSFERS BY GRANT.**

7 The President is authorized to transfer vessels to for-
8 eign recipients on a grant basis under section 516 of the
9 Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321j), as fol-
10 lows:

1 (1) GREECE.—To the Government of Greece,
 2 the OSPREY class minehunter coastal ship PELI-
 3 CAN (MHC-53).

4 (2) EGYPT.—To the Government of Egypt, the
 5 OSPREY class minehunter coastal ships CAR-
 6 DINAL (MHC-60) and RAVEN (MHC-61).

7 (3) PAKISTAN.—To the Government of Paki-
 8 stan, the SPRUANCE class destroyer ship
 9 FLETCHER (DD-992).

10 (4) TURKEY.—To the Government of Turkey,
 11 the SPRUANCE class destroyer ship CUSHING
 12 (DD-985).

13 **SEC. 3. TRANSFERS BY SALE.**

14 The President is authorized to transfer vessels to for-
 15 eign recipients on a sale basis under section 21 of the
 16 Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2761), as follows:

17 (1) INDIA.—To the Government of India, the
 18 AUSTIN class amphibious transport dock ship
 19 TRENTON (LPD-14).

20 (2) GREECE.—To the Government of Greece,
 21 the OSPREY class minehunter coastal ship HERON
 22 (MHC-52).

23 (3) TURKEY.—To the Government of Turkey,
 24 the SPRUANCE class destroyer ship O'BANNON
 25 (DD-987).

1 **SEC. 4. GRANTS NOT COUNTED IN ANNUAL TOTAL OF**
2 **TRANSFERRED EXCESS DEFENSE ARTICLES.**

3 The value of a vessel transferred to another country
4 on a grant basis pursuant to authority provided by section
5 2 shall not be counted against the aggregate value of ex-
6 cess defense articles transferred to countries in any fiscal
7 year under section 516 of the Foreign Assistance Act of
8 1961.

9 **SEC. 5. COSTS OF CERTAIN TRANSFERS.**

10 Notwithstanding section 516(e)(1) of the Foreign As-
11 sistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321j(e)(1)), any expense
12 incurred by the United States in connection with a trans-
13 fer authorized under section 2 shall be charged to the re-
14 cipient.

15 **SEC. 6. REPAIR AND REFURBISHMENT IN UNITED STATES**
16 **SHIPYARDS.**

17 To the maximum extent practicable, the President
18 shall require, as a condition of the transfer of a vessel
19 under this section, that the country to which the vessel
20 is transferred have such repair or refurbishment of the
21 vessel as is needed before the vessel joins the naval forces
22 of that country be performed at a shipyard located in the
23 United States, including a United States Navy shipyard.

1 **SEC. 7. EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY.**

2 The authority to transfer a vessel under this section
3 shall expire at the end of the 2-year period beginning on
4 the date of the enactment of this Act.

